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1. The Neue Panzer Kaserne on Altruppin Chaussee, Neuruppin (N 53/Z 49) was occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including members of a military band of platoon strength, on 11 May 1950.

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2. Soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were stationed in the Friedrich Franz Kaserne on Fehrbellinerstrasse. About 50 soldiers were engaged in athletic exercises in the barracks yard. Three 60-man platoons marched from one building toward the garages.

3. Camp 2 on Scholtenstrasse appeared deserted. The garage doors were locked. Camp 3, on the same street, had only vehicle and ordnance storage buildings.

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4. Six boxcars stood on the railroad spur in the supply dump on Fehrbellinerstrasse. Two piles of crated bombs were beside the boxcars. The bombs were about 120 cm long and about 40 cm in diameter.

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5. Ten trucks were lined up in the northwestern section of the drill ground on Scholtenstrasse. Twenty heavy machine guns were behind the trucks. Blankets, shelter halves and accessories were piled nearby. Twenty to twenty-five men were seen. Some of the men were working on the trucks.

6. Three canvas-covered light AA guns were emplaced at the drill grounds on Fehrbellinerstrasse. The gun crews lived in concrete shelters.

7. The Friedericus Kaserne on the road to Altruppin was not occupied to capacity on 13 May 1950.

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12. Between 17 and 19 May, the quarters at the Neuruppin airfield were occupied to capacity by about 1,200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. Motor vehicles were stored in three wooden garages on the eastern border of the airfield on Walter Rathenaustasse. [REDACTED]

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13. Six armored scout cars of type Ba-64 were at the troop quarters. A fuel dump of four 10x3-meter earth bunkers was located in the southwestern section of the airfield. Trucks [REDACTED] were being loaded with barrels. A Brandenburg construction firm was erecting cantonment buildings along the western border of the field. **

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** Comment. The report indicates that the units of the 12th Gds Tank Div in Neuruppin were still at their post on 9 May 1950. [REDACTED]

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